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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: ANDREAS SCHROTER et al.

Appln. No.: 10/622,024

Filed: July 17, 2003

For: SCALE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING
THIS SCALE AND POSITION
MEASURING SYSTEM EMPLOYING
SUCH A SCALE

Attorney Docket No: 56/408

Examiner: Schindler, David M.

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Sir:

Applicants request continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (*check at least one of the following*):

Previously submitted:

Applicants request nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.

Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on February 3, 2006

Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

Other: _____

Attached is/are:

An Information Disclosure Statement

An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings

New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability

Other: Copy of Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136(a)) Filed on March 27, 2006.

Request for suspension of action:

Applicants hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

Small Entity Status:

Applicants hereby assert entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. _____ / _____ and such status is still proper and desired.

Is no longer desired.

Applicants calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

A Request fee of \$790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

A suspension processing fee of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).

An additional filing fee of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (_____ additional independent claims and/or _____ additional total claims).

An extension fee of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a two-month extension of time.

Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

A check in the amount of \$790.00 is enclosed to cover the RCE filing fee.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

A payment by credit card in the amount of \$_____ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE). A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

March 27, 2006

Date



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